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**Re: Statement of Clarification Regarding Application for Partial Relief from  
Decision No. 66966; Docket No. G-01551A-14-0021**

Southwest Gas Corporation hereby submits for filing an original and thirteen (13) copies of its statement of clarification regarding its application for partial relief from Decision No. 66966.

If you have any questions please contact me at 602-395-4058.

Respectfully submitted,

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1 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

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3 COMMISSIONERS

4 Susan Bitter Smith, Chairman

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7 Tom Forese

8 Doug Little

9 In the Matter of the Application of Southwest  
Gas Corporation for Partial Relief from  
Decision No. 66966.

DOCKET NO. G-01551A-14-0021

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11 **STATEMENT OF CLARIFICATION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR PARTIAL**  
12 **RELIEF FROM DECISION NO. 66966**

13 **Introduction**

14 1. On January 21, 2014, Southwest Gas Corporation ("Southwest Gas" or  
15 "Company") filed the Application in this Docket requesting partial relief from Decision  
16 No. 66966 relating to the requirement that the Company notify Staff of the Utilities  
17 Division ("Staff") within two (2) hours of any evacuation from a residence, commercial  
18 or industrial establishment.

19 2. Southwest Gas provides this Statement of Clarification to avoid any  
20 confusion relating to the relief requested in this Docket.

21 3. By the Application filed in this Docket, Southwest Gas is requesting relief  
22 from the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") so that the Company is no  
23 longer required to comply with the second ordering paragraph in Decision No. 66966  
24 which states:

25 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Southwest Gas Corporation  
26 shall notify Staff of the Utilities Division within two hours of  
27 evacuating any persons from any residence, commercial or  
industrial establishment. ("Reporting Compliance Paragraph")

28 Decision No. 66966 at 4:17-19

1           4.     Southwest Gas will remain subject to the reporting requirements  
2 contained in Section R14-5-203(B)(1)(g) of the Arizona Administrative Code ("AAC")  
3 which requires incident reports by telephone for evacuations.

4           5.     AAC Section R14-5-201(5) defines an evacuation as:

5                   "Evacuation" means denying entry into or the organized  
6 clearing of a building or buildings, involving:

- 7                   a.     One hundred or more individuals from any number  
8                           of buildings;  
9                   b.     All of the individuals present from five or more  
10                           buildings;  
11                   c.     All of the individuals present from five or more  
12                           businesses within a single building such as a strip  
13                           mall; or  
14                   d.     A nonresidential building known or discovered to be  
15                           occupied by individuals who are confined, are of  
16                           impaired mobility, or would be difficult to evacuate  
17                           because of their age or physical or mental condition  
18                           or capabilities, such as a hospital, prison, school,  
19                           daycare facility, retirement facility, or assisted living  
20                           facility

21           6.     Accordingly, relief from continued compliance with the Reporting  
22 Compliance Paragraph allows for the incident reporting rules to be evenly applied to all  
23 gas operators in Arizona and would eliminate any potential for conflict between the AAC  
24 and Decision No. 66966.

25           Dated this 16th day of October 2015.

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